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See 'A Year with Frog and Toad' by MoCo Arts Storytime Theatre



(Keene, NH) – Did you know that a frog and a toad could be best friends? See what happens when opposites attract in *A Year with Frog and Toad* on June 16th at 2:00pm & 4:00pm at the MoCo Arts Black Box Theatre in Keene.

A Year with Frog and Toad is a family-friendly musical performed by some of MoCo Arts youngest students. Frog and Toad are best friends, but they are different in so many ways. Frog is tall; toad is short. Frog is an optimist; Toad is a pessimist. When they get together, every season is an adventure.

"We have lots of fun dancing, singing, and acting together in Storytime Theatre," says Danielle Fitzpatrick, Artistic Director of Young Arts at MoCo Arts. "Children are able to audition for bigger roles if they wish, then we spend time each week practicing our lines, learning dances, and singing songs to put together our show."

Storytime Theatre is MoCo's musical theatre class for children ages 4 years through 2nd grade. Students learn lines, cues and stage direction then perform a fully produced musical at the end of each semester. Each week of class begins with a chant of two important words: "tah-dah" and "teamwork"! Each child gets a chance to be on stage, hear the applause and feel proud of themselves. They get there through teamwork with their peers, a very important part of putting on a musical.

This summer young students are invited to participate in Creative Dance for kids 3 yrs – 2nd grade or one of MoCo's multi-art summer camps. Fall classes begin in September in MoCo's new arts education facility on Roxbury Street where expanded programming options will include more weekday and weekend options of Creative Dance. *This expanded programming will be announced soon!*

Tickets for *A Year with Frog and Toad* are \$10 general admission. To purchase tickets, please visit the MoCo Arts front desk or call (603) 357-2100.

MoCo Arts is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, multi-arts educational organization located in downtown Keene offering dance and theatre classes and multi-arts vacation and summer camps for children ages 18 months to 18+ years. As part of the educational process, MoCo Arts provides professional quality performance experience for students and family-friendly performances for audiences of all ages throughout the year. Funding for MoCo Arts is provided in part by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information please visit MoCo Arts, 76 Railroad Street, Keene, NH 03431 or www.moco.org



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Photo caption 'MoCo_Frog-and-Toad1' : "Calvin Cutler moves across the stage as an enthusiastic Snail in 'A Year with Frog and Toad'."

Photo caption 'MoCo_Frog-and-Toad2' : "Jacob Wyatt, Patrick LaFontaine, Peter Colson, Abbey Barney, Vera Lawler, Brynn Bezio, and Olive McBride rehearsing a song for 'A Year with Frog and Toad'."

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